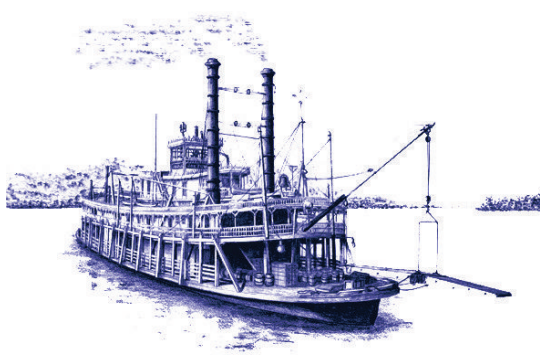




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City moves up Main Street work on east end

BY BOB DEMAREE

Main Street milling, paving and restriping between Broadway Street and St. Michaels Avenue will begin much earlier than anticipated.

The announcement was made by City Controller Mindy McGee at Monday's meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety. "By taking advantage of some opportunities, we have secured funding to have a completely new road surface

on Main Street from top of Hanover Hill to St. Michaels Avenue without applying for any more federal monies ... By the end of 2028, there will be a completely new road surface with many new upgrades."

Currently underway is Main Street work between Mill and Broadway streets, supported by a \$1.5 million Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) the city received from the Indiana Department of Transportation. McGee said the city

had also bonded \$1.6 million in anticipation that the project between Mill and Broadway would cost \$3 million. With that contract later awarded to All Star Paving at a cost of \$1,228,675.76, the city's match was roughly \$614,000.

"We have a lot of extra money in the bond proceeds for Main Street that we can now redeploy so we're now going to use some to go ahead and get this new pavement and striping on the east end," McGee

said.

"We're going to reduce costs and cut five years off the schedule" for completing resurfacing of Main Street, said Mayor Bob Courtney. "Instead of waiting until 2032 for federal highway funding call, we're going to go ahead and absorb the cost of the milling, paving and traffic calming into our current budget rather than going idle for five years, and coming back in 2032 or 2033, and picking it up and finish the

project.

"I think this is a tremendous opportunity for the city of Madison that under this time frame, we will not have a gap in time, we will not have a gap in funding," Courtney said. "It's going to save us a lot of time and money, and we're going to get it done very quickly."

Since All Star Paving, which is already on site working between

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Bob Demaree

Madison Main Street's Biennial Loft Tour was Saturday with 10 sites in downtown Madison. Susan Ohlendorf (left) and Mary Beth Collins, with her daughter Lucy Collins, 8, view wallpaper samples recovered during renovation of the former Cinnamon Tea Room at 302 West Street guided by Jed Skillman (right). The building once included an office for Jeremiah Sullivan, a former justice of the Indiana Supreme Court from Madison (1837-1846) who coined the name "Indianapolis."

Upside of Downtown

The 2025 Madison Main Street Program Loft Tour is in the books with 10 downtown buildings opening their upper floors to show visitors some of the hidden gems of apartment life in the Madison historic district and some sites that undergoing or ripe for renovation as the next "hidden" treasure.



Bob Demaree

John Bilz (left) and Lori Taylor tour the former Meyer and Sons building, 202 Jefferson Street, while guided by Owen McCall (right).



Bob Demaree

Austin Sims, executive director of Madison Main Street (right) tours living quarters that have been constructed upstairs of the Vintage Lanes, 301 Jefferson Street, with building co-owner Matt Chandler.



Bob Demaree

Susan and Joe Craig join Madison Loft Tour guide Laura Hodges (right) to check out the former Cinnamon Tea Room, 302 West Street, that is currently being renovated.



Bob Demaree

During Saturday's Madison Main Street's Loft Tour, the former Masonic Temple, 217 East Main Street, is toured by (from left) Mary Beth Collins and her daughter, Lucy, 8; and Susan Ohlendorf, all of Madison, with tour guide Kay Lou Adams at right.

Our SIRDA hears regional arts and culture strategy

BY BOB DEMAREE

A proposal for a regional arts and culture strategy was delivered at Friday's meeting of Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority with a vision that those five counties be recognized as one of the Midwest's foremost creative hubs.

The strategy stems from Lilly Endowment's \$1.5 million grant for arts and culture planning throughout the state of which grants were awarded to each of the 15 regions including \$100,000 to OurSIRDA, which represents Clark, Floyd, Jefferson, Scott and Washington counties.

Tim George of Pathemy Strategies, who was hired with Polina Oshero of Patterns to lead development of the strategy, said the plan for this region includes the hiring of a regional creative economic director that's supported by a council with representatives from each of the region's five counties.

To fund the region's arts and culture effort, George said the group will need to get creative. "Funds are challenged right now with state budget cuts and federal budget cuts," said George. However, he added "it's not

millions of dollars a year needed to get this off the ground," but just establishing the basic infrastructure as a starting point.

The plan also includes establishing an underground railroad freedom corridor. "There are so assets throughout the region, across all the counties that could be powerful to connect in a more branded way," said George.

He said trails can be the connector in the region. "The more that can be done to tie that work and that investment to the creative economy and to use it as connector of the creative economy assets, the better. Trails are a big driver of regionalism because they go through multiple counties. I think that's also a gateway to regionalizing the arts and culture." George also suggested establishing an Origin Park in Clark County "as the front door to the region's creative economy."

There is also a plan to grow the region's music brand and identity. "Madison has done an incredible job of elevating its music ecosystem. I think the region can benefit from Madison's leadership in all of that. I also think the rest of the

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23rd Soup Stew Chili & Brew Saturday on Main Street

BY BOB DEMAREE

Madison's Main Street will be filled with the sounds and smells of good music and food — and the fun and laughter than go with both — Saturday for the 23rd Soup, Stew, Chili and Brew event hosted by the Madison Area of Chamber of Commerce since 2003.

"This has always been a favorite of mine. It just feels like a good community event, and that's what makes it so special," said Mindy McGee, She is now the "Director of Finance"

Soup, Stew, Chili and Brew, sponsored by Ivy Tech Community College Madison, will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, on Main Street between Jefferson and Broadway streets. The event is free — including the Kids Zone due



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Soup Stew Chili & Brew Logo

to a sponsorship by Premier Gutters.

Soup, stew, chili and stew will be served at booths throughout the footprint of the event, many raising funds for their favorite charities and causes.

Purchases for food and drinks inside the festival

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New Habitat house completed in Clifty Woods subdivision

BY BOB DEMAREE

The completion of a new Habitat for Humanity house in the new Clifty Woods subdivision was celebrated Friday with a special dedication event.

Shelby Wilson, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Indiana, said the house that was built for McKinley Kelso and her son, Kai, will be a “place where safety, stability and hope will grow.” She said it is the 22nd Habitat house built in Jefferson County, the fifth in the Clifty Woods subdivision, and the second on what eventually will be six homes on a circle on Beech Grove Street.

“I am so super excited,” said Kelso. “It takes such stress off my shoulders being a single mom, wondering where we were going to end up and what our future held. Now, I know where I’ll be in a year and don’t need to worry.”

Kelso said it was exactly one year from the date of Friday’s event — Oct. 3, 2024 — that she learned she would be the next home buyer. “Throughout the last year I learned way more than I could have ever imagined, from tips to budget and save money, learning ways to stay out of debt all the way to learning hands-on construction skills. This has taught me many things I will continue to use throughout my life. It is an experience that I truly will never forget.”

Requirements for the Habitat homeowners include a minimum of 250 hours of “sweat equity,” including financial education courses, working in Habitat’s ReStore, and helping with construction of the home. Being involved in construction of the home, Kelso said, “definitely makes me more proud to be a home owner, keeping it nice and keeping it as my own.”

During the dedication, Eric Young, board of directors vice president, presented a symbolic key to Kelso as a recognition of the “the foundation and relevance, responsibility and independence and also prosperity and joy. Home is the key. Everyone deserves a decent place to live. McKinley Kelso, you deserve a wonderful place to live. You put in the work alongside your family and friends to build this house, and today it’s our honor and privilege that we dedicate this house to you and yours. This is the key to a bright future to you and Kai. This is yours to make a house a home.”

Randy Crutchfield, pastor of Madison First Baptist Church and Habitat Southeast



Bob Demaree

The dedication for the latest home for Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Indiana was held Friday in the Clifty Woods subdivision on Madison's hilltop. Home owner McKinley Kelso (right) accepts a symbolic key in a ceremony with (from left) Eric Young, Habitat board vice president; Randy Crutchfield, Habitat board member and pastor of Madison First Baptist Church; Shelby Wilson, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Indiana; and Tony Steinhardt III, deputy mayor of the city of Madison.



Bob Demaree

Eric Young, vice president of the board of director for Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Indiana, speaks to the crowd gathered for the dedication ceremony at the McKinley Kelso family home — the newest Habitat home in the Clifty Woods subdivision on Madison's hilltop.

board member, said the origins of the national Habitat for Humanity organization go back to Koinonia Farm, an intercultural Christian farming community in Sumter, Georgia. “They understood how Jesus calls us to a sense of community and cooperation with each other to amazing and wonderful things ... This house was formed with cooperation from city officials, businesses and volunteers coming together as one big family.”

Crutchfield said Pete Schuring, who had been hired as the contractor for the house, died March 14 at the age of 45 just a few months into the project. “He truly embodied kindness and generosity. His selflessness and his great big smile were a major part of our community.” As the construction manager for the project, “he was able to offer his love and kindness to

others,” providing “something to continually look as proof of people working together in cooperation.”

Because of Schuring’s death, there was a pause in the project with Gary Prange taking over as construction manager to finish the house. “From day one, Gary reassured me that this house would be built as if it were his own. He took the time to pay attention to detail to be sure everything was done correctly, and to his standards, and for this I will ever be grateful,” Kelso said.

Deputy Mayor Tony Steinhardt III credited the city of Madison’s Redevelopment Commission for committing \$150,000 to provide the infrastructure necessary to create building lots for the subdivision — including streets, curbs, storm sewers and other utilities to locate six homes on the cul-de-sac.

“Mayor Bob Courtney has a continued vision for housing as we work to develop housing for all income levels within Madison ... This project took dozens and dozens of people and community leaders to make it happen,” express a thank you to all of them.

In 2023, Bethany Legacy Foundation (BLF) provided a \$987,925 grant to Habitat Humanity of Southeast Indiana to fund the remaining houses for the subdivision.

Wilson noted there are additional costs beyond what BLF is providing, so Habitat always needs additional support and especially volunteers. “We accept any skill level for volunteers. Sometimes the ones with the least skill level are one of our most returning volunteers,” she noted

Grant funds to be sought for Rykers Ridge Sewer District

BY BOB DEMAREE

An application to fund upgrades and repairs to the Telegraph Hill-Rykers Ridge Sewer District will be made later this month.

Reneisha Rudder and Patty Jackson, staff members at Southern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (SIRPC) were at Thursday’s Commissioners meeting for a public hearing ahead of applying for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) wastewater grant from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) Oct. 24.

Jackson said the funding would pay for grinder pump rehabilitation and low pressure collection system rehabilitation. There will be improvements to two lift stations with another lift station being reconstructed and relocated.

The maximum OCRA grant request is \$750,000 which will require a 20% match requirement from the sewer district of at least \$187,500. The Commissioners have provided the sewer district with \$175,000 from the county’s American Rescue Plan funds. The project is projected to cost more than \$2 million.

“If we can get funding from OCRA, it’s going to be a big benefit” for repairing the water system, said Tony Wood, water and wastewater specialist at Midwestern Engineers, adding there is no guarantee whether the grant will be awarded. “It can be tough to get. It took me four applications one time to get an OCRA grant for the town of Osgood so it can be tough,” said Wood, who is also former wastewater superintendent for the town of Osgood.

Gary Maas, president of the Telegraph Hill-Rykers Ridge Sewer District, requested the

Commissioners reallocate \$30,000 of its \$175,000 ARP allotment to cover engineer costs for the project, which was approved. Jackson said all \$175,000 will still count towards the match.

In other business, the Commissioners:

- Approved software for an interface that connects the Sheriff’s Department’s Central Square report database with the Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) that tracks inmate activity. “The two systems need to interface and talk,” said County Sheriff Ben Flint. The cost is \$4,377.31.

- Rod Asher, president, and Cheryl Lyon, treasurer, of the Canaan Events and Enrichment Foundation, sought funding to assist with rehabilitation of the Indian Trails building in Canaan. Last week a \$30,000 grant was received from the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County. Asher estimated building repair will cost \$110,000. “It is a landmark in our community of Canaan. It’s over 100 years old.. If we don’t save it now in 10 years, it will be too late. The foundation needs repair. A section of the roof needs repair but it’s still salvageable” if the repair is done. The Commissioners indicated they will review what funding might be available, and report back whether any assistance can be provided.

- County 911 Director Brandon Tucker is due to be honored at the Indiana Digital Summit on Oct. 7 for implementation of the CommsCoach dispatch program, an AI-powered platform that provides reports after calls are completed, and simulations to handle calls in real time for training. Jefferson County was the first 911 agency in Indiana to utilize the program.

North Vernon Airport receives grant for upgrades

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

North Vernon Municipal Airport was recently awarded an FAA grant as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

The grant, totaling \$585,000, covers the 95% federal share for rehabilitating approximately 12,600 square yards of the aircraft parking apron, taxiways A and A4, and taxi lanes. Also included in the upgrades will be asphalt crack sealing, full-depth crack repair, and mill and overlay of the existing asphalt pavement.

Ryan Curry, airport director, said, “We are thrilled to receive this vital and much-needed grant. The project was bid earlier this year and has now been awarded to Dave O’Mara Contractors Inc. of North Vernon.”

Curry continued saying, “These grants are always significant, but it’s even better when a local contractor is the low bidder and gets to perform the work. It’s another excellent example of how the airport plays

a crucial role in economic development in the region.”

North Vernon Mayor Shawn Gerkin said, “I am thrilled to assist with the announcement of another remarkable achievement for the City of North Vernon. Building on our airport’s unprecedented success as a two-time consecutive winner of the Airport of the Year award for the State of Indiana, we have been awarded a significant grant that will further enhance our airport’s capabilities and contribute to our community’s economic vitality.”

Gerkin also stated, “The North Vernon Airport is more than just a transportation hub; it is a vital economic engine that generates jobs, attracts investment, and connects us to the wider world. This grant underscores our commitment to investing in infrastructure that supports sustainable growth and improves the quality of life for all North Vernon residents. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to build a brighter future for our city.”

LOTTERIES

INDIANA	KENTUCKY	POWERBALL
Hoosier Lotto 21-28-31-39-40-45 (10/4). Estimated Jackpot: \$3.6 million. Next Drawing (10/8)	Cash Ball: 1-4-18-33 CB: 14 (10/5) Lucky For Life:4-23-25-32-40 LB: 16 (10/5)	3-7-47-67-68 PB: 2, PP 2 (10/4). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$207 million. Next Drawing (10/6)
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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 7
Matt Demaree
Oct. 9

John Ball
Tim Hillman
Oct. 12
Lori Hedges
Shirley Kloepper
Oct. 13
Donovan Estridge
Oct. 16
Greg Gosman
Beth Knox

ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 9
Alex and Kelsi Schmidlapp

WEATHER

Sunrise: 7:42 a.m.
Sunset: 7:16 p.m.
Temperature: High 78, Low 65, Mean 71.5, Deficit 12.4
Precipitation since last published: 0
Precipitation, October 2025: 0
Precipitation, 2025: 47.83
Barometer 30.06, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 421.80 feet, Steady
Forecast: Wednesday: Partly cloudy High 70/Low 43; Thursday: Sunny High 67/Low 40; Friday: Sunny High 73/Low 46; Saturday: Partly cloudy High 76/Low 48.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER LODGINGS

Oct. 3, 2025

Tyler Seth Henry Fields, 29, Austin, Indiana, for serve 4 days jail, concurrent, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Tyler Allene Frisque, 31, Hanover, for Domestic Bat-

tery-With Prior Unrelated Conviction for Battery Against the Same Person and Communication-Intimidation, both Level 5 felonies; and Neglect of a Dependent, a Level 6 felony. No bond.

Oct. 4, 2025

Phillip Andrew Duarte, 39, for Battery and Public Intoxication Alcohol/Drugs,

both Class B misdemeanors. Bond \$250 cash on the battery charge and released on own recognition on the public intoxication charge.

Oct. 5, 2025

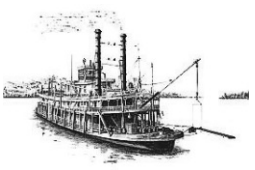
Daniel Sublett, 44, for Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Released on own recognition but held on an out

of state hold for the Oldham County (Kentucky) Jail. No bond.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT SENTENCINGS

Oct. 2, 2025

Zach Merlin Tilley, 28,



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OBITUARIES

Clara Maxine 'Susie' Fowler Foley



Clara Maxine "Susie" Fowler Foley, age 93, of Canaan, IN, entered this life on Aug. 31, 1932, in Needmore, IN, the loving daughter of the late William and Ada Frances Daniels Fowler. She and her family moved from Bedford to Madison, IN, in 1942. She was a 1950 graduate of North Madison High School. She was united in marriage to Ralph W. "Bill" Foley on April 19, 1952, at the Madison Baptist Parsonage in downtown Madison. This happy union of 48 years was blessed with four daughters, Karen, Kathy, Katie, and Kim. She worked early in life at Meece, Inc. in Madison, and for a short time at Conn Organ in Madison. She and Bill farmed and she was always outside working along side him or in her yard or garden. She was foremost a homemaker, cooking countless meals for hired hands while they were putting up hay or putting in tobacco. She canned and froze whatever she

could for her family from her garden. She loved to play euchre, enjoyed fishing, quilting, and reading. Maxine loved to baby sit children and did for many family, friends, and neighbors. She attended the old Hicks Ridge Baptist Church and then later in life the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church until her health declined. She loved all the family get together's and doted on her grandchildren, great grandchildren and her great great grandson. In her later years you could find her sitting on her deck enjoying the sunshine and waving at people as they passed by. Maxine

died on Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2025, at 10:23 p.m., at her home in Canaan, IN.

Maxine will be missed by her loving daughters, Karen Foley Rowlett and her husband Terry of Canaan, IN, Katie Foley Lockridge and her husband Jeff of Canaan, IN, Kimberly Foley Schultz of Madison, IN; her grandchildren, William T. Rowlett (Kimra), Sarah B. Stephen (Ben), Dusty Watson (Jessie), Donah Palmer (Ty), & Daniel; her great grandchildren, Mary, Maggie, Arlow, Millie, Adriana, Jacob, Addison, Ryleigh, and Regan; her great great grandson, Joel; her sisters in law, Roberta Fowler of Marion, IN, and Bonnie Fowler Miller of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Fowler, her mother, Ada Frances Daniels Fowler, her brothers, Robert, Chester, Eugene, & Maxwell Fowler, her daughter, Kathy Ann Foley Stringer, her grandchil-

dren, Sarah Elizabeth, Carolyn Maxine, and Billy Dan, her great granddaughter, Mollie Louise Stephen, her husband of 48 years, Ralph "Bill" William Foley, died Sept. 5, 2000.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2025, at 11 a.m., by Pastor Ed Roberts at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North US 421 near Madison, IN.

Friends may visit on Monday, Oct. 6, 2025, from 4 - 7 p.m., and Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2025, from 10 a.m., until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Meagan Shannon Brown

Meagan Shannon Brown died peacefully shortly after midnight on Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025, at her home in Lancaster Township, IN.

Born June 2, 1964, in Madison, IN, she was a daughter of Carl T. and Lena V. (DeVore) McDole. She married Mark Robert Bahlke on May 28, 2017.

Meg's spirituality and love for nature, history, and art, as well as her deep love for her family and friends, sustained her through her diagnosis of pancreatic cancer. She fought hard and was determined not to allow her diagnosis to dominate her life. As she once said, "I may have cancer, but cancer does not have me."

Her hobbies included organic gardening on the historic farm she lived on with her family and later,

with her husband Mark. She also enjoyed sewing, painting with watercolors, and studying the Bible.

She spent a lot of time as a Civil War re-enactor and had a deep love for history, especially the history of Lancaster Township and the people who were involved with and founded Eleutherian College, an institution opened in 1848 to educate anyone who wished to learn, regardless of their gender or their race.

She spent 10 years researching, as a volunteer, the families who helped established the college and led the abolitionist movement in Lancaster, IN. She compiled "The Abolitionist Community of Lancaster, IN: A reference guide with brief biographies and genealogy of people in relation to the

area," which she finished compiling in April 2006.

"She said that she was frustrated that through the years so many people knew bits and pieces about Eleutherian College, but that no one attempted to put it all together," said her friend, Mark Furnish, who relied on her research to help him complete his Ph.D. dissertation from Purdue University. "So, she decided that she would be that person."

Her goal was to ensure that the facts about Lancaster, Eleutherian, and the roles played by residents there in the local workings of the Underground Railroad and the opportunities for anyone wanting to learn to receive an education, would be preserved. She wanted to "pay homage to the extraordinary people who

risked all for a cause they felt was their duty, as servants of God, to help those who could not voice their opinions."

Much of the information she obtained was from the descendants of those Lancaster families: the Waltons, the Hoyts, the Hayeses, the Nelsons, the Hursts, the Cravens, the Harrieses, and the Tibbeteses, and others.

Meg is survived by her husband, Mark; her father; her sister, Judy Phillips of Madison, as well as uncles, aunts, and many nieces, and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother; a sister, Dena (Jesse) Webster of Bedford, KY.; a brother; a nephew; and aunts, uncles, and grandparents.

A private celebration of her life has been planned.

Wanda Deloris Tanksley Klein



Wanda Deloris Tanksley Klein, age 95, entered this life on Nov. 13, 1929, in Palestine, IL, the beloved daughter of Vernon E. Tanksley and Frances Byrd Tanksley.

Her family moved to Madison, IN, in 1940, where she later graduated as a member of the Madison High School Class of 1947.

It was in Madison, that she met the love of her life, Richard "Toogie" Klein. Their joyful union lasted 74 years and was blessed with three children.

Wanda was of the Catholic faith and attended both St. Michael's Catholic Church then later Prince of Peace Catholic Church. She worked for 28 years as a dental assistant for Dr. William E. Stucker, where she was known for her dedication and care.

She was also active in the local Democratic Party, working for three years under Jefferson County Clerk Ford Connolly. Wanda served on the Democratic Precinct Committee and was President of the Democrat Women's Organization. She was twice selected as a delegate to the Indiana Democratic State Convention.

In her spare time, Wanda enjoyed arts and

crafts - especially oil painting - collecting antiques, and tending to her flowers, and garden. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, and grandmother, and a true friend, to many.

Wanda passed away on Sept. 24, 2025, in Madison, IN.

She will be deeply missed by her daughter, Carolyn Purvis of Bedford, KY; her grandchildren: Sandra Baystyr (Russell) of Brownsburg, IN; Dave Shafer of Madison, IN; Kristopher Kalb of Westfield, IN; and Matt Shafer (Cami) of Milton, KY; her daughter-in-law, Susan Klein of Madison, IN; and her niece, Joyceanne White of Nacogdoches, TX.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Richard "Toogie" Klein; her son, Richard Anthony "Tony" Klein; her

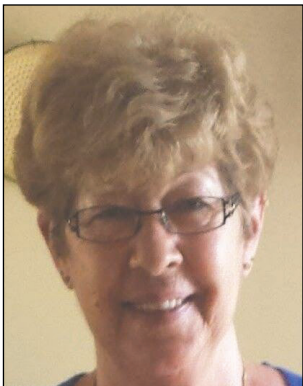
daughter, Suzan Kay Klein; her parents, Vernon E. Tanksley and Frances Byrd Tanksley; her sister, Annis LaVerne Bayne; and her son-in-law, Danny Purvis.

In accordance with her wishes, Wanda will be cremated and her remains will be placed beside her husband, and daughter, in Springdale Cemetery. Father Rick Nagel will conduct graveside services at 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 9, 2025, at Springdale Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family directs memorial contributions be made to the Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Contributions can be made at the funeral home or at www.lytlewelty.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel.

Sandra Sue Shultz Thacker



boating and skiing. Sandra died on Thursday, Oct. 2, 2025, at 6:20 a.m., at her residence in Madison, IN.

Sandra will be missed by her loving husband of 59 years, Dennis Paul Thacker of Madison, IN; her loving daughters, Pam Bladen and her husband, Rick of Lexington, IN, and

Trish Hall of Scottsburg, IN; her grandchildren, Jason Bayne, Deven Chatham (Chelsea), Dustin Bayne (Ashley), Megan Zehren (Zach), Kelsey Bladen, Derrick Bladen (Lauren), and Paige Hall; 21-great grandchildren; her sister, Beth Greenwell and her husband, Dan of Owensboro, KY; her brother in law, Mitchell Thacker and his wife, Rhonda of Lexington, IN; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Keith Shultz and her mother, Mary Jane Potts Shultz and her brother, Fred Shultz.

Funeral services will be

conducted Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2025, at 1 p.m., by Pastor Scott Kollmann at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison. Interment will follow in the Ryker's Ridge New Cemetery in Madison.

Friends may visit Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2025, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Warren Dunlap, 86, of Bedford, KY, died Saturday, Oct. 4, 2025, at Norton Brownsboro Hospital in Louisville. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Rondall "Fred" Lynn Henderson, 57, of Patriot, IN, and formerly of Madison, IN, died Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2025 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Florence, KY. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m Friday, Oct. 10, at Markland Funeral Home in Rising Sun, IN, with burial to follow at Cedar Hedge Cemetery in Rising Sun, www.marklandfuneralhome.com.

Eleanor Frances Sullivan Roche , 90, died Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2025. No public services will be held

but a private service will be held by the family at a later date with interment at the Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock, MD. Arrangements by Morgan and Nay Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Ruth A. Turner, 92, Bedford, KY, died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025, at The Springs at Oldham Reserve in La Grange, KY. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Janice Wright 78, Bedford, KY, died Saturday, Oct. 4, 2025, at Signature Healthcare in Carrollton, KY. Arrangements will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS JEFFERSON COUNTY Oct. 2, 2025

Barbara Irwin Ritz (deceased), Marty W. Irwin and Richard D. Irwin to Barbara I Ritz (revocable trust), Barbara I Ritz (trust) Marty W. Irwin and Richard D. Irwin, 5245 West 1050 North, Dupont.

Shirley Lyle to Theresa J. Price and Danny M. Price, 304 Hickory Drive, Madison.

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Nickalas R. Taylor and Mariam J. Smith to Vanessa Roll, 608 Montclair Street, Madison.

Kindle Webster to Roderick Harrell and Karen Harrell, 424 East Street, Madison.

Shelly R. Anderson to James M. Miller and Katherine Lee Wirtzberger, approximately 11 acres at 5795 West Prospect Road, Hanover.

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footprint are by ticket at \$1 per coupon. Cup sizes for the soups, stews and chili are sold at each booth for the same price: 3 tickets (4 ounces), 4 tickets (6 ounces) and 5 tickets (8 ounces). Drink sizes and ticket costs are decided by the individual booth.

Tickets can be purchased through Friday online at MadTix and available for pickup at the Chamber office, 301 East Main Street, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Music is also a huge part of the event with performers on three stages.

Madison's Rusty Bladen is once again the headliner, performing at Mulberry and Main streets from 3-4:30 p.m. after Brian "Biggin" Noble performs there from 12:30-2 p.m.

Performers at the stage at Main and West streets are Kenan Rainwater from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Charsee and Cam from 1-2 p.m., and Bee Camp Bottom Boys from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Performers at the stage at Main and Poplar streets are Sami Riggs from 11 a.m.-Noon,

STRATEGY

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region buying into this regional music ecosystem will also elevate Madison's game even more," George said.

He said arts and culture can also play a role in community revitalization. "Connecting artists with downtown corridor for Main Street revitalization. I think that with a lot of small towns losing population, it can go a long way to drive a lot people to stay or even come back into the community."

In other business, with Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) approval, two READI 2.0 projects — the Maple Run housing project in Scott County for \$2 million and the Washington County YMCA Childcare and Community Center, \$1.7 million — were approved. All other READI 2.0 projects are still waiting for final approval from the IEDC.

Sixteen of the 26 READI 1.0 projects have now been completed with 75% of funds now spent.

At the end of the meeting, Kevin Kellems, Jefferson County's representative on the RDA board, read a portion of a statement he read at a recent Madison City Council meeting in regards to scoring of project applications for READI funding, including the coal property that was awarded \$2 million.

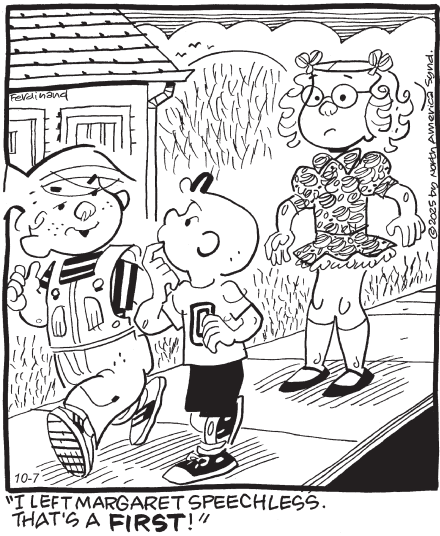
"In scoring project applications, it is the average from all five board members that determines a project's ranking. The Madison Coal property was ranked 10th out of 74 applications ... Naturally, many projects evolve over time as applicants refine their approach, and as additional information becomes available to them .. Both the RDA and IEDC have completed their parts of the application assessment and scoring processes. It is now up to the city to determine whether it wants to proceed further on this project."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



DENNIS THE MENACE



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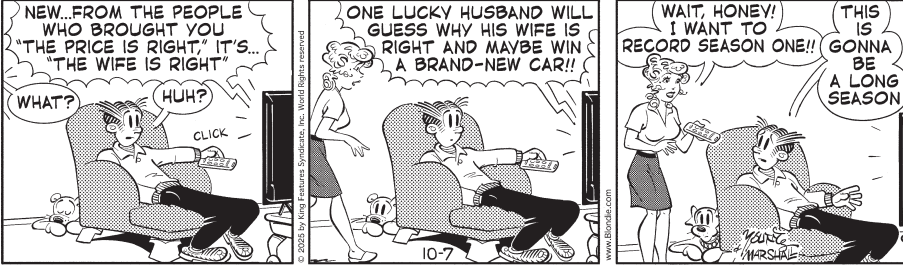
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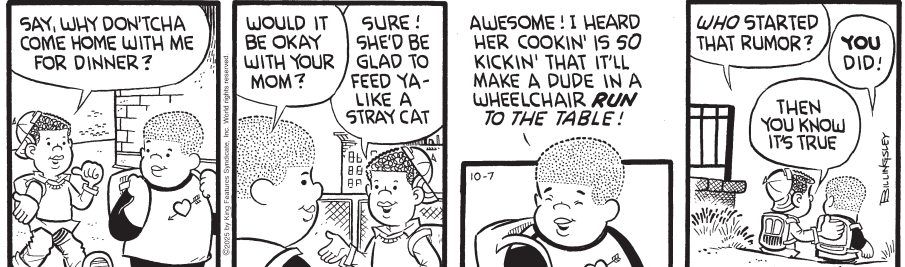
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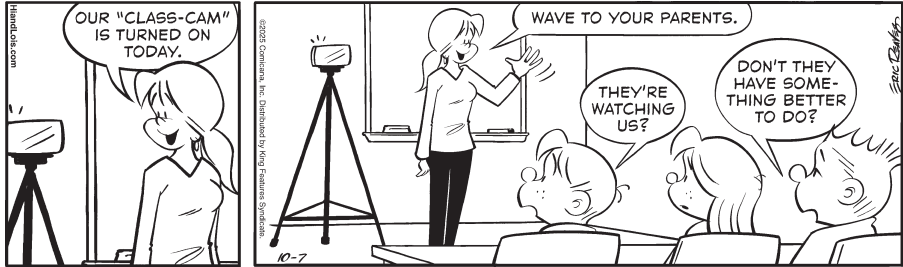
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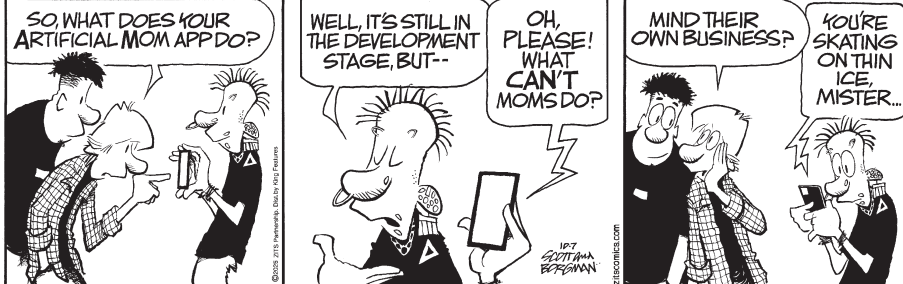
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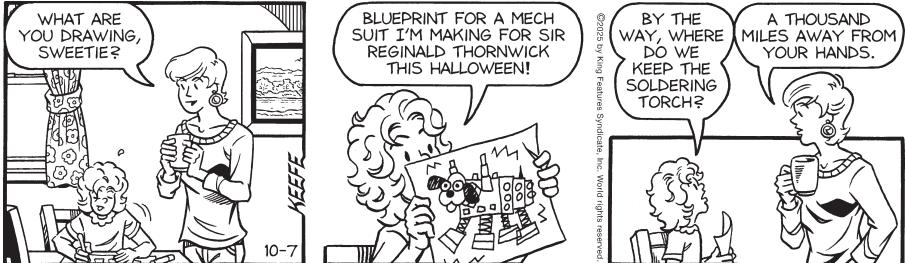
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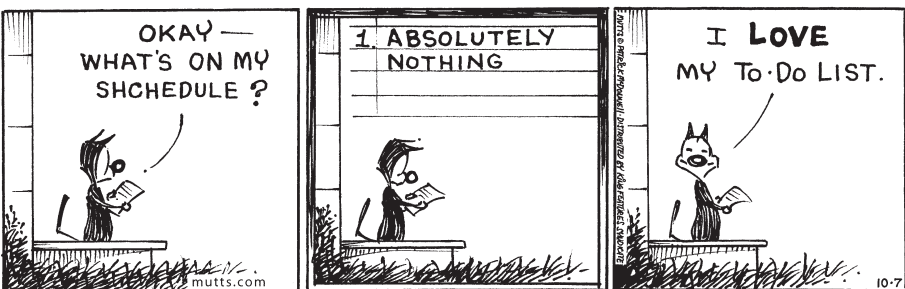
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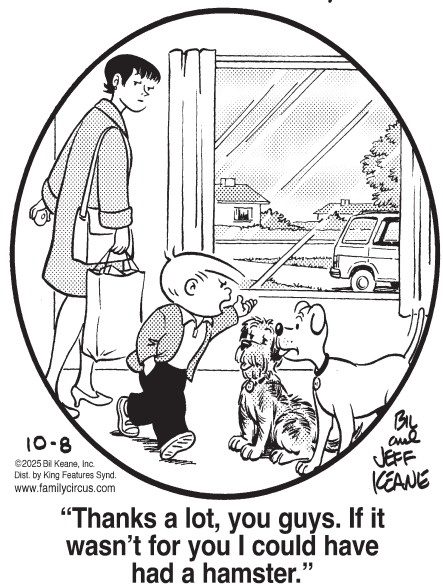


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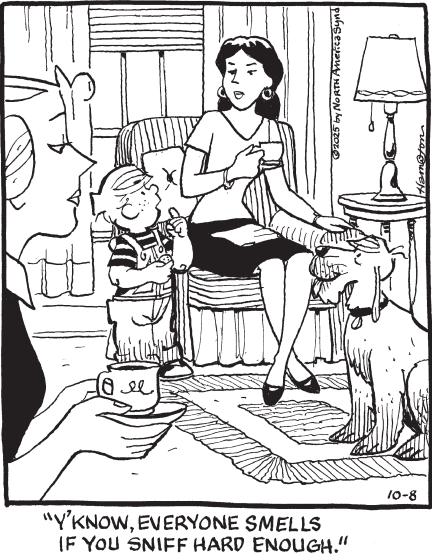


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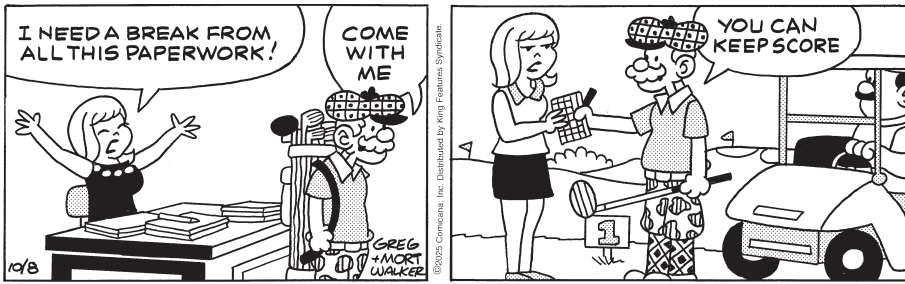
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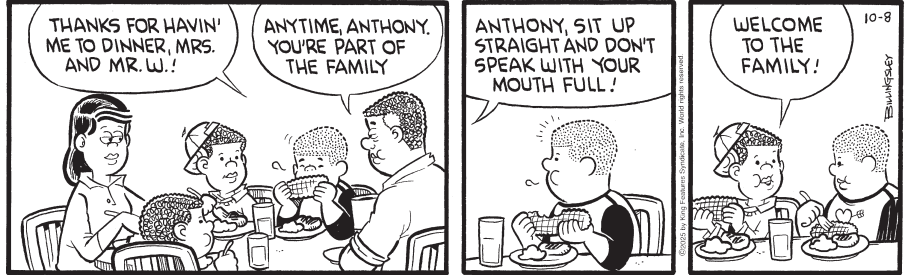
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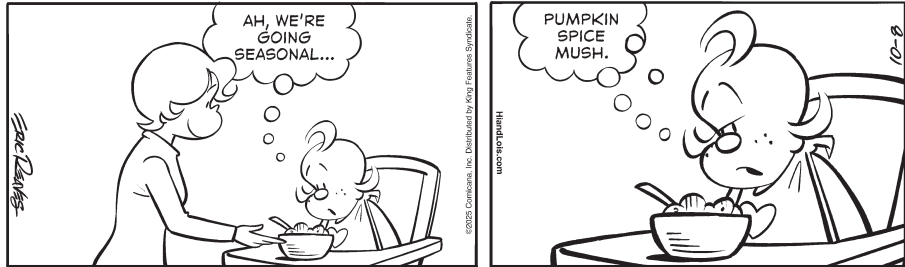
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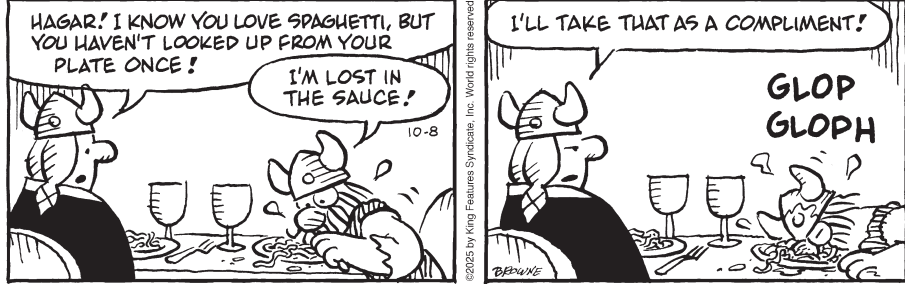
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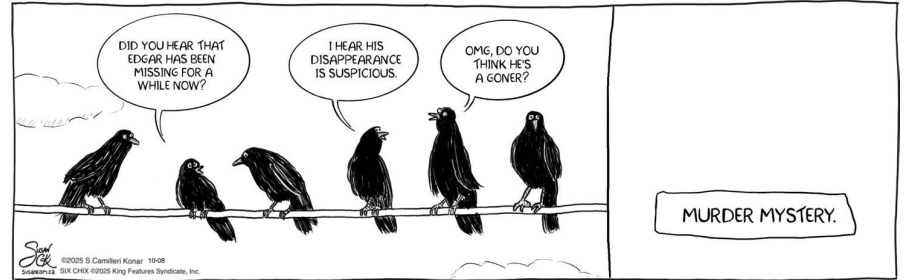
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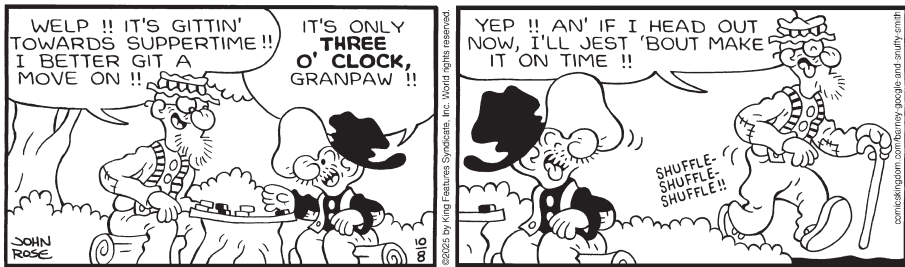
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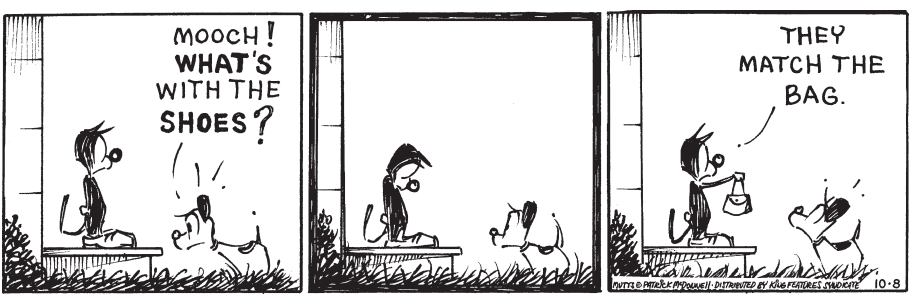
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CFMJC photo

The Community Foundation of Madison & Jefferson County’s grant recipients and their organization’s representatives include (from left): Front row — Starla Raley, Madison Performing Arts Foundation; Michelle Jones, Recovery Café; Kassandra Black, Madison Township Fire Department; Christen Harsin, Southwestern Preschool; Jillian Cantu, Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana; Brittany Dyer, Ivy Tech Community College-Madison; Lisa Cutshall, Historic Madison Inc.; Cheryl Lyon, Canaan Events & Enrichment Foundation Inc.; Christine Pritchard, Christ Episcopal Church; and Margo Olson, River Valley Resources; Back row — Tricia Parker, Friends of the Jefferson County Animal Shelter; Shane Williams, Norton King’s Daughters’ Health EMS; Ron Kroger, Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Department Inc.; Brett Roberts, Kent Volunteer Fire Company; Kim Nyberg, Madison Area Arts Alliance; Austin Sims, Madison Main Street Program; Kate Sutter, Ivy Tech Foundation; Sarah Brichto, Children’s Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana; Cory Thomas, Saluda Township Trustee/Saluda Township Park; Troy Hedges, Jefferson County Youth Shelter; Sarah Stephen, Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church; John Nyberg, Jefferson County Historical Society; and Trent Whaley, Lydia Middleton Elementary School.

CFMJC announces \$434,078 in grants to 22 nonprofits

BY THE COURIER STAFF

The Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County (CFMJC) awarded \$434,078 in grants to 22 nonprofit organizations last week.

The awards are made possible by donors who established and contribute to the Foundation’s Flexible Community Funds and Field of Interest Funds.

Community Foundation Finance and Program Officer Kelly Miller first recognized the Foundation’s \$100,000 multi-year grant commitment to support the Norton King’s Daughters’ Health EMS Transport Hub project.

Other grant recipients were:

- Canaan Events and Enrichment Foundation, Inc. — \$30,000 to restore and preserve the historic Canaan Indian Trails building.
- Children’s Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana — \$25,000 to improve Forensic Interview services in Jefferson County.
- Christ Episcopal Church — \$10,000 to support the SUCCESS Arts Scholarship program to provide arts-related lessons to low-income students in the community.
- Friends of the Jefferson County Animal Shelter — \$3,700 to support the creation of their organization which will provide outreach and advocacy efforts on behalf of the animal shelter.
- Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Department — \$10,000 to purchase an inflatable ice rescue deployment craft and ice rescue suits for water rescue emergencies.
- Historic Madison Inc. — \$15,000 to provide ADA compliant accessibility to the historic Jeremiah Sullivan House.
- Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church — \$10,000 to purchase food for the church’s community food pantry.
- Ivy Tech Foundation/Ivy Tech Community College Madison — \$20,000 to launch the Ivy ROOTS workforce development initiative to provide local internships between students and nonprofit organizations.
- Jefferson County Historical Society — \$4,298 to purchase a new copier/printer.
- Jefferson County Youth Shelter — \$3,500 to purchase a back-up power generator and carpet needs for the shelter facility.
- Junior Achievement of Kentuckiana Inc. — \$5,000 to support the InSpiring Futures: Comprehensive High School Programming for Madison Consolidated High School program.
- Kent Volunteer Fire Company — \$20,000 to purchase Grain Bin rescue equipment and firefighter turnout gear.
- Lydia Middleton Elementary — \$4,500 to create a Rooftop Sensory Garden to enhance the school’s rooftop patio and outdoor classroom experience.
- Madison Area Arts Alliance, Inc. — \$4,500 to support the renovation of the SPOT Gallery to provide extra office space and a reception area during special events.
- Madison Main Street Program — \$2,780 to purchase registrations to the InTents: National Farmers Market Conference.
- Madison Performing Arts Foundation — \$1,800 to support the upcoming Horszowski Trio concert.
- Madison Township Volunteer Fire Company — \$34,000 to purchase new respirator equipment and masks for the company’s firefighters.
- Recovery Café Madison — \$40,000 to support operating costs and outreach efforts.
- River Valley Resources Inc. — \$20,000 to support the Jefferson County Adult Education program.
- Saluda Township Trustee/Saluda Township Park — \$35,000 to support improvements at Saluda Township Park.
- Southwestern Preschool — \$35,000 to purchase new playground equipment to include accessibility for all children.

During the program, CFMJC President & CEO Bill Barnes shared about the newest endowments created by donors in 2024 and 2025 that will provide long-term support for a nonprofit organization or cause.

CFMJC Board Chair Jenny Darnold recognized outgoing board members Beth Lichlyter and JD Webster for their 6 years of service, welcomed the newest board member, Hannah Taylor, and thanked past board members and current volunteers for their support of the foundation.

Former Board Chair and committee volunteer Don Phillips was recognized for his 25 years of service with the Community Foundation, the longest volunteer tenure to date.

CFMJC Board Secretary Tanner Mahoney recapped the Foundation’s recent growth from donations and investment performance. He shared that the Foundation’s assets have now surpassed \$49 million as of the most recent investment report. In 2024, the Community Foundation reinvested more than \$1.3 million back into Jefferson County through grants and scholarships.

Kathy Crafton, chair of the Women’s Giving Circle, shared an overview of the program, recapped the grants awarded in April by the WGC, and encouraged donations to grow the Women’s Giving Circle Endowment in Memory of Bonnie Hare fund.

Leadership Jefferson County Steering Committee Chair Rachel Sharpe encouraged attendees to consider applying for the upcoming 2026 course of the program and thanked her fellow steering committee members for their hard work.

• Since the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County was established in 1991, nearly 280 permanent funds have been established.

Campground profits helping to fund parks department

BY BOB DEMAREE

The success of the city’s Riverview Campground is helping Madison Parks and Recreation Department to balance its books for the year.

With a campground net profit of \$84,361.28 so far for the year, those funds are being used to pay for shortfalls at Sunrise Golf Course, Crystal Beach Aquatic Park and Rucker Sports Complex, it was reported by Tanya Burnette, the Parks Department’s director of operations, at Wednesday’s Madison Parks Board meeting.

Burnette said \$67,000 of those campground dollars will pay for new leased equipment for Sunrise Golf Course, \$13,000 will go toward staff payroll for Crystal Beach and \$4,500 for Rucker Sports Complex. “Thank you campground. You support our parks,” she said.

At the September Parks Department meeting, it was stated that a projected loss of \$60,000 was anticipated for the Crystal Beach Aquatic Center but Burnette said there are other allocated funds that are being moved to categories where there were losses such as funds from concessions and chemicals.

Sunrise Golf Pro Roger Gallatin said he is seeing 10% growth at the golf course in rounds of play and revenue, and is optimistic that there will be improvement in finances for this year. “I’m still very bullish. Any time I talk to any of my colleagues” they note that since the COVID-19 pandemic, “golf has been on a boom. It’s not growing as much; it’s kind of flattening out but golf is growing across the nation. I see positive numbers coming,” growing 15% to 20%, and beating last year’s numbers.

Gallatin said he anticipates weekend rates for green fees and cart rental will increase next year from the current \$45 to \$48, along with some other small increases that Parks Board member Jake Shockley said are being recommended by the golf board. “There was heavy discussion,” he said, noting it’s important to be “cautious about going too far” with increases.

Gallatin also warned about rates that are too low. “Round count can be detrimental to the condition of the golf course and drive people away. If it’s too cheap with too much play, we can tear the golf course up, and that can be counter-productive with a lot people not coming back” to use Sunrise Golf Course. “We need to keep the golf course at a certain level and still cover all of our expenses.”

In other business:

- Hilary Beall, representing the John Paul chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, provided an update on restoration plans for John Paul Park. Grant funding from both the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County, and the Bethany Legacy Foundation has provided funding for engineering and design work but Beall anticipates it will be a \$2 million to \$4 million project. Improvements will include a walking loop, ball field improvements, a pollinator garden and additional restrooms. Work will also include addressing erosion between the upper and lower levels of the park that she expects will be the highest cost. “We’re going to maintain the quiet, contemplative space that’s on the Third Street level,” she said. A fundraising campaign is expected to begin in 2026 with no city funds being used.
- Announced that the city’s campground will close after the Nov. 7-8 weekend to stay open through the MadHop Festival. Burnette said so far 27 spots have been reserved for that weekend with seven still available.
- Approved a rate of \$350 for storing recreational vehicles at the campground for 17 weeks beginning the third week of November and ending the second week of March. If all 34 spots are rented out, Burnette said it could raise an additional \$11,900 for the parks department.
- Announced that Les and Natalie Hook will be coming back next year as hosts of the city’s Riverview Campground. Burnette said they “have been getting a lot of positive feedback,” expressing “how nice it looked ... Les and Natalie are doing a great job running the place.”

• Burnette said the new Food and Beverage Tax that’s due to take effect Jan. 1 is projected to raise \$715,000 in 2026 with all of those funds going to the parks department.



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Broadway and Mill, will not need to deploy, the city will see savings providing the lowest bid that includes \$139,592 for the milling and paving between Broadway and Mulberry streets, and \$231,537.85 between Mulberry and St. Michaels Avenue. All Star Paving will also install a yellow flashing light for a mid-block crossing at the Main Street Comfort Station to the parking lot across the street for \$49,928.35.

Visit Madison Inc. Executive

Director Andrew Forrester endorsed installation of the mid-block crossing. With VMI now staffing the Comfort Station, “our staff there say they see people all day, every day crossing there, needing a safe place to cross.” From June 1 to Sept. 30, Forrester said from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, there have been 18,811 visitors to the Comfort Station, “a number of those are crossing the street or hoping to cross the street.”

The city’s paving of Main Street between Jefferson Street and St. Michaels actually involves state highway, but Courtney said a permit was received from the Indiana Department of Transportation

for the city to do the work, particularly knowing that INDOT had indicated that the area was not scheduled for resurfacing before 2035 to 2037.

Courtney said with the danger presented to pedestrians, “you need to take action sooner so we’re willing to make the investment ourselves.”

Milling and paving has been scheduled to begin in the current work area between Mill and Broadway streets Monday, Oct. 20, with work to then continue to St. Michaels Avenue to make that area safer with all new lane markers and improvements to provide greater pedestrian and traffic safety.

Sports

Undefeated Southwestern beats Austin for 1st sectional title since '22

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

SCOTTSBURG — Southwestern has had a good enough boys tennis team to win a sectional championship each of the last two years but could never get over the hump. On Thursday, the Rebels finally achieved the goal they have been seeking.

Southwestern knocked out defending sectional champion Scottsburg 3-2 on Wednesday, then picked up a 4-1 win over Austin on Thursday to claim the program's first sectional title since 2022.

The final team score wasn't indicative of how close the matches were and Southwestern coach Jason Poteet was thrilled to get the wins.

"They came to play the last two days. I think we knew Scottsburg and Austin were both solid opponents," Poteet said. "We hadn't got a chance to play Scottsburg, and we knew, watching them in their tournament earlier this year, they're really hard to beat. And our boys really showed up. And we told them, you know, we can't let down today and they came through to play today."

Southwestern jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead thanks to a pair of victories by brothers Braxton and



David Campbell

Southwestern's Brady Cook (left) and Braxton Lewis (right) celebrate after the Rebels clinched the boys tennis sectional championship in Scottsburg on Thursday.

Quinton Lewis, who claimed wins at No. 1 and No. 3 singles, respectively. Braxton Lewis defeated Xander Ritchie 6-1, 6-1 and Quinton Lewis knocked off Aven Broadus 6-0, 6-1.

A victory by Austin's Kallen Boswell and Cameron Watts over Max Joseph and Luke Morrow at No. 2 doubles kept the Rebels from clinching the title early.

The final two matches went down

to the wire before senior Brady Cook and sophomore Colton Deputy scored a nail-biting 6-0, 7-5 win over Cason Swank and Isaiah Eversole at No. 1 doubles to clinch the crown. The entire team then settled in to watch as senior Talon Wynn closed out the win with a 6-4, 7-6 (7-1) victory over Orlando Neace at No. 2 singles for the final 4-1 margin.

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David Campbell

Southwestern tennis coach Jason Poteet reacts after getting doused with ice water after the Rebels won the sectional title on Thursday.

CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

Madison boys, Southwestern girls post impressive showings in TH Twilight

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison and Southwestern each had finishes to be proud of at the stacked Nike Cross Country Twilight Invitational in Terre Haute on Friday.

Madison's boys posted the third-best team average in school history and had three runners break 17 minutes in the same meet for the first time ever while placing 10th out of 41 schools in the Open "Blue" Division with 346 points. Madison's girls finished 17th.

In the Open "Red" Division, Southwestern's girls placed sixth out of 28 teams with sophomore Savannah Nussbaum running fifth in 19:48.50. Switzerland's boys placed 26th in the same division with Southwestern and Shawe not fielding

complete boys teams and Switzerland not fielding a complete girls team.

Results for Madison's boys were: Will Laufer, 25th, 16:40.70; Eli Storm, 26th, 16:42.68; Sam Crouch, 31st, 16:48.88; Paxton Garrett, 120th, 17:50.54; Kruz Konkle, 184th, 18:38.37; Gabe Pattison, 231st, 19:24.13; Gavin Noble, 237th, 19:29.83; Owen Murphy, 343rd, 22:41.31; and Tavian Bauer, 355th, 23:16.03.

Results for Madison's girls were: Lealynn Krulik, 21st, 20:15.20; Annabelle Laufer, 50th, 21:16.58; Haley Ferguson, 64th, 21:26.78; Scout Porter, 174th, 23:25.68; Lydia Horvath, 193rd, 23:47.01; Reagan Wynn, 204th, 24:15.23; Carolyn Mahoney, 205th, 24:17.76; Hannah

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David Campbell

Madison's Segar Ralston (10) tackles Brownstown's Trey Sweaney (16) during the unbeaten Braves' big win at Madison on Friday.

Madison no match for No. 2 Brownstown in 63-7 loss

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

The combination of Madison mistakes and unbeaten Brownstown's high-powered offense was too much to overcome as the football Cubs suffered a 56-7 loss at home on Friday.

Madison turned the ball over twice and had a punt blocked in the first quarter alone as Class 2A No. 2 Brownstown built a 28-0 lead before the first horn sounded. The visiting Braves added three more scores in the second quarter and rolled to their seventh win of the season.

"We knew this one was going to be an uphill battle, and we're not in their league. The average of them playing their starters in the second half has been like three minutes," Madison coach Charles Benintende said of the 7-0 Braves. "We knew we just don't have that team. Not to say that we can't get there, not to say that we can't do the things that they do. But we knew we were going to be in the dogfight, and we prepared the guys for that. We came out in the second half and scored, and we stopped them, and there's some things that we can clean up. But we're going to be OK."

Brownstown wasted little time getting on the scoreboard. After forcing a punt on Madison's first possession, the Braves marched down the field and scored on a 12-yard touchdown run by Preston Garrison for a 7-0 lead.

The scores came quick and easy for Brownstown after that. Another Madison punt led to another Garrison touchdown, this time from 17 yards out, for a 14-0 lead. On the Cubs' next possession, Owen Wischmeier blocked Matt McCarty's punt, recovered the ball and ran it back 10 yards for the touchdown.

Madison fumbled the ensuing kickoff



David Campbell

Brownstown's Owen Wischmeier blocks the punt of Madison's Matt McCarty during Friday's game. Wischmeier scooped up the ball and scored on the play.

and Brownstown used the short field to score on a 12-yard pass from Micah Sheffer to Garrison to give the Braves a 28-0 lead. An interception late in the first quarter led to a 1-yard run by Evan Stahl early in the second quarter to push the lead to 35-0.

Brownstown added two more scores in the second quarter — on a 34-run by Garrison and a 28-yard pass from Sheffer to Jack Pace — to give the Braves a 49-0 lead at halftime.

The second half was played under a running clock but Brownstown still had time to score, getting a 6-yard touchdown run by Eli Hutchinson late in the third quarter. Madison finally broke up the shutout early in the fourth quarter on a 56-yard touchdown run by Joseph Stanley.

The Braves got their final touchdown on a 2-yard run by Isaac Hutchinson late in the game.

Brownstown finished with 356 yards total offense, 267 of which came on the ground. Garrison had 63 yards on three carries to lead the Braves and Trevor Branaman had 51 yards rushing on five carries.

Madison had 137 total yards, more than a third of which was on Stanley's 56-yard scoring run. The senior had 87 total yards rushing and 40 more receiving for nearly all of the Cubs' yards.

Brownstown hosts Silver Creek (3-4) next week. Madison, now 0-7 on the season, hits the road next week to face Corydon Central (2-5) for the first time since 1971 and closes the regular season at home against Milan (2-4). Benintende said he is looking forward to the final two games of the regular season.

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LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

TUESDAY, OCT. 7

GOLF

Hanover men, Wabash Invite, 10 a.m.

SOCCER

Madison girls vs. North Harrison, IHSAA Class 2A Sectional at Silver Creek, 7:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern boys vs. Columbus North, IHSAA Regional at Columbus North, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Madison girls at Columbus East, 7 p.m.
Switzerland Co. girls host Southwestern, 7 p.m.
Trimble Co. girls host Walton-Verona, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8

SOCCER

Hanover women host Mount St. Joseph, 5 p.m.
Madison/South Dearborn vs. Switzerland Co./Lawrenceburg boys, IHSAA Class 2A Sectional at Batesville, 5 p.m.
Shawe/Southwestern vs. Southwestern (Shelby)/Hauser boys, IHSAA Class A Sectional at Southwestern (Shelby), 5 p.m.
Carroll Co. girls vs. Henry Co./Owen Co., KHSAA 31st District Championship at Henry Co., 6 p.m.
Shawe girls vs. Southwestern, IHSAA Class A Sectional at Trinity Lutheran, 7 p.m.
Hanover men at Mount St. Joseph, 7 p.m.
Carroll Co./Owen Co. boys vs. Gallatin Co./Henry Co., KHSAA 31st District Championship at Henry Co., 8 p.m.

TENNIS

Southwestern/Columbus North boys vs. Seymour/Batesville, IHSAA Regional Championship at Columbus North, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCT. 9

FOOTBALL

Carroll Co. hosts Pendleton Co., 7:30 p.m.

SOCCER

Madison/North Harrison vs. Corydon/Charlestown girls, IHSAA Class 2A Sectional at Silver Creek, 5:30 p.m.
Shawe/Southwestern girls vs. Trinity Lutheran/Salem, IHSAA Class A Sectional at Trinity Lutheran, 7 p.m.
Switzerland Co. girls vs. Oldenburg/Milan, IHSAA Class 2A Sectional at Milan, 7 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Shawe girls at South Ripley, 6:30 p.m.
Southwestern girls host Henryville, 7 p.m.
Switzerland Co. girls host Milan, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT. 10

FOOTBALL

Madison at Corydon, 7 p.m.
Switzerland Co. hosts Brown Co., 7 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER ROUNDUP

Southwestern hammers JCD to claim ORVC title

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern boys soccer wrapped up an unbeaten run through the Ohio River Valley Conference with a 6-1 win at Jac-Cen-Del on Thursday to clinch the conference championship. No details from the match were available. Southwestern, ranked 17th in Class A, closed out the regular season with a 10-2-4 overall record and 5-0-1 in the ORVC. The Rebels faced sixth-ranked Shawe in the sectional tournament opener at Southwestern (Shelby) on Monday. The winner plays either 15th-ranked Southwestern (Shelby) or Hauser in the sectional semifinals on Wednesday.



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Southwestern's boys soccer team clinched the Ohio River Valley Conference championship on Thursday.

PACERS BEAT SOUTH DEARBORN
Switzerland County closed out the regular season with a 4-3 win at South Dearborn on Thursday. Isaiah Dayadharum recorded a hat trick with three goals to lead Switzerland and Ezra Dayadharum had a goal and an assist. Peyton Cunningham had

two assists and goalie Nate Williams made eight saves. Switzerland, now 10-4-2 on the season, opened the Class 2A Sectional at Batesville against Lawrenceburg on Monday. The winner faces either

Madison or South Dearborn in the semifinals on Wednesday. **CARROLL FALLS TO COLLINS**
Carroll County had its nine-match win streak snapped in a 2-0 loss at

home to Collins on Thursday in the Panthers' regular-season finale. Quinn Willhoite posted seven saves in goal for the Panthers and Chris Perez had three against the Titans (11-4-3).

Carroll, now 12-3 on the season, played Owen County in the semifinals of the 31st District Tournament at Henry County on Monday. The winner plays either Gallatin County or Henry County in the championship on Wednesday.

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Southwestern falls to South Ripley, beats Lanesville

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern split a pair of matches late last week, falling to South Ripley on Thursday but beating Lanesville on Friday. Southwestern won the first game against South Ripley but then lost the next three for an 18-25, 25-14, 25-22, 25-19 finals score. Rorie Scroggins had 20 kills and three blocks, Jenna Owens had 26 digs and four aces, Jocelyn Johnson had 24 digs, Hadlie Buchanan had 19 kills and eight kills, Kaylee Hite had 15 digs, Josie Hubbard had five kills and Hillarie Buchanan had 35 assists and 13 digs.

Southwestern picked up a 3-1 win over Lanesville on Friday, 25-20, 25-17, 11-25, 25-8. Scroggins had 12 kills and two blocks, Owens had 11 kills and three aces, Hite seven kills and 10 digs and Hadlie Buchanan had six kills and four aces. Southwestern, now 14-11 overall and 2-3 Ohio River Valley Conference, travels to Switzerland County on Tuesday and hosts Henryville on Thursday. **MADISON SWEEP BY FLOYD**
Madison suffered a three-set loss at home to Floyd Central in girls volleyball on Thursday. The Cubs lost by scores of 25-16, 25-21, 25-23.

Brittan Neuman had nine kills and 15 digs, Lilly Canida had nine kills and three blocks, Hannah Combs had six kills, Ava Canida had 12 digs and Audrey Miller had 23 assists. Madison, now 21-7 on the season, traveled to Bedford North Lawrence on Monday and heads to Columbus East on Tuesday. **TRIMBLE FALLS TO SHELBY**
Trimble County suffered a 2-0 loss at Shelby County on Thursday. No team scores or individual stats were available. Trimble, now 11-15 on the season, traveled to Scott County on Monday and hosts Walton-Verona on Tuesday.

GIRLS SOCCER ROUNDUP

No. 5 Switzerland beats No. 17 Shawe to claim ORVC title

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Switzerland County picked up a 3-0 win over Shawe at home on Thursday to clinch the Ohio River Valley Conference girls soccer championship. Switzerland, ranked fifth in Class A, survived an early Shawe onslaught to take a 2-0 lead on a Taylor Kappes free kick in the 20th minute and an Emma Parsons goal off a Baylee Romans throw-in in the 22nd minute. Parsons and Romans teamed up once again on a corner kick and score in the 68th minute for the final margin. "(We) played an amazing game but the Pacers defense was solid all night long holding us to just five shots on goal," Shawe coach Ron Lanham said. "Our defense played a amazing game and the third goal was off a corner kick that bounced around in front of the goalie who never saw it go in." Switzerland closed out the regular season with a 3-1 loss on Saturday at Class 2A No. 7 Lawrenceburg, the defending state champions. The first 30 minutes of the game were scoreless with neither team able to score. At the 30th minute Lawrenceburg found a player running unguarded down the middle of the field for the first and only score of the half to take a 1-0 lead. In the second half, the Tigers were able to score twice to Switzerland County's one goal for the final 3-1 margin. The Pacers' lone goal came from Emma Parsons, her school-record 108th of her varsity career. "This was a great opportunity for us to compete against a quality team as we prepare for the state tour-

namet," Switzerland coach David Todd said. "We walked away from the match with an idea of what needs to be done going forward." Shawe, ranked 17th in Class A, finished its regular season with a 5-1 win over Scottsburg on Friday. Justice Kuntz scored the first goal off a cross from Jenna Flint just 25 seconds into the game and Kinsley Pollitt added a goal in the 10th minute. Ava Flint, Lucy Wilhelm and Brylee Liter each added goals in the second half for Shawe. Shawe closed out the regular season with an 11-3 overall record and 4-1 in conference play. The Hill-toppers will take on Southwestern in the opening round of the Class A Sectional tournament at Trinity Lutheran on Wednesday. Switzerland, now 13-3 overall and 5-0 ORVC, will take on the winner between top-ranked Oldenburg Academy and Milan in the sectional semifinals at Milan on Thursday.

REBELS FALL TO SOUTH RIPLEY

Southwestern was down to just seven players and closed out the regular season with a 5-0 loss at home to South Ripley on Thursday. "They played down a man and helped all have a good game. I was proud of all of our players out there and their determination and hustle," Southwestern coach Nancy Totten said. "We celebrate our seniors, Emma Hatton and Erin Kidd. We are grateful for Emma and Erin and will miss them." Southwestern, now 2-8-1 on the season, will take on No. 17 Shawe in the Class A Sectional at Trinity Lutheran on Wednesday.

FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

Trimble falls at home to Ludlow

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Trimble County suffered a 27-8 loss at home to Ludlow in a rare Thursday night game last week. Nolan Hunt had 37 yards rushing and scored the Raiders' lone touchdown in the game. Quarterback Jamison Isley was 7-of-21 passing for 108 yards with three interceptions and Silas Sandusky had 60 yards rushing.

On defense, Sandusky posted nine tackles and half a sack, and Kane Walls and David Poe each had seven tackles. Trimble, now 2-5 on the season, has this week off and heads to Covington Holy Cross on Oct. 17. **CARROLL FALLS TO HENRY**
Carroll County dropped a 24-20 decision at Henry County on Friday

night. No statistics from the game were available. However, the win was the 38th career victory at Henry County (3-3) for Wildcats coach Matt Wright to pass wins leader Mark Johnson, who had won 37 games in nine years in the 1990s. Carroll, now 3-3 on the season, hosts Pendleton County on Thursday.

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"Like we told the guys going in tonight, we're in the third quarter now. This was the first round of the third quarter," Benintende said. "We lost the first game, and we have two winnable games coming up to where we can win the third quarter and go 2-1. And in the fourth quarter, we'll find out who we play in the first round of the sectionals. We'll give it everything we've got."

UNDEFEATED

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Poteet was thrilled with the way his team stepped up. "All of them played hard, even those that weren't on the winning end of the score," Poteet said. "I really thought the last two days, one doubles really, really came to play. We knew we had a little advantage at one; Braxton's played great all year and Quinton's a great three. We thought we had an advantage there. It's just where were we going to find that third point. And I thought Talon

also stepped up tonight at two. So it's been a great team effort all year." In IHSAA tennis, any No. 1 singles player or No. 1 doubles team that goes undefeated from a non-advancing team qualifies for the individual sectional but no player earned that distinction in this sectional. Southwestern improves to 19-0 on the season and advances to the IHSAA Regional at Columbus North on Tuesday. The Rebels will face host Columbus North in the semifinals with Seymour playing Batesville in the other semifinal. The championship match will be on Wednesday.

TWILIGHT

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Ferguson, 218th, 24:43.92; and Maya Kemp, 267th, 28:36.41. Results for Southwestern's girls were: Savannah Nussbaum, fifth, 19:48.50; Tori Gammons, 24th, 20:59.20; Mikayla Nussbaum, 49th, 21:36.20; Sophie Ford, 53rd, 21:44.00; Chloe Sprayberry, 108th, 23:04.30; Kaylynn Warren, 139th, 24:03.50; Riley Zellers, 143rd, 24:13.40; Sarah Schneider, 168th, 25:07.40; and Mallory Johnson, 215th, 28:36.90. Results for Southwestern's boys were: Thomas Gammons, 252nd, 21:47.40; and Jonah Stroud, 311th, 30:43.69. Results for Switzerland's boys were: Cale Collier, 138th, 19:19.60; Landon

Gross, 149th, 19:24.30; Gavin Rich, 177th, 19:46.10; Luke Sullivan, 184th, 19:59.20; Michael Gross, 209th, 20:28.60; Jaksyn Smithson-Cox, 256th, 21:57.40; Aillan Hartley, 284th, 23:29.30; Harlowe Haines, 300th, 25:23.70; and Seth Burke, 308th, 27:21.10. Results for Switzerland's girls were: Claire Boggs, 60th, 21:51.20; Taylor Kappes, 61st, 21:51.40; Kaylynn Schaefer, 64th, 21:54.30; and Jazmyn Blevins, 123rd, 23:34.00. Results for Shawe's boys were: Cavaan Hambrick, 89th, 18:34.10; and Cohenn Hambrick, 196th, 20:15.10. Shawe, Southwestern and Switzerland County next compete in the Ohio River Valley Conference championships at Hanover College on Saturday. Madison's next meet is the IHSAA Sectional at Hanover on Oct. 18.

CARROLL HOSTS INVITE
Carroll County cross country hosted the Carroll County Invitational on Saturday. The Panthers did not field a complete team. In the boys race, Leonel Atilano-Zarate was 13th in 22:10.90, Elias Cardoso-Ortiz was 15th in 22:54.60, Johnathan Pirtle was 19th in 24:42.50 and Michael Weedman was 31st in 29:17.90. In the girls race, Miriam Atilano-Zarate was 12th in 31:58.60, Lydia Risk was 13th in 32:15.70 and Shelby Hillebrandt was 16th in 50:14.20. Joey Reed, of Eminence, won the boys varsity race in 19:16.40 while Abrielle Hooten, of Walton-Verona, won the girls varsity in 24:07.40. Boone county won the boys team competition and Walton-Verona was the top girls team.

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HANOVER ROUNDUP

Panthers open HCAC play with big win at Rose-Hulman

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover football traveled to Rose-Hulman and came away with a 44-10 win in the Panthers' Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference opener on Saturday.

The Panthers jumped out to a 20-3 lead after the first quarter and led 37-3 at halftime en route to the easy win.

Quarterback Eian Roudebush was 26-for-30 passing for 238 yards and three touchdowns. Jack Pennington caught eight passes for 113 yards and Curbrian Shelby had 58 yards rushing and caught six passes for 68 yards and a score.

Hanover, now 2-2 overall and 1-0 in the HCAC, travels to Mount St. Joseph on Saturday.

MEN'S SOCCER BEATS ROSE

Hanover men's soccer picked up a 2-0 win over Rose-

Hulman on Saturday in Terre Haute.

Patricio Campos and Andrew Pavlisko each scored goals and Matt Burchett had an assist. Goalkeeper Rodrigo Gutierrez Olvera Gonzalez had four saves in goal.

Hanover, now 7-2-2 overall and 2-0 HCAC, travels to Mount St. Joseph on Wednesday and heads to Bluffton on Saturday.

VOLLEYBALL DROPS TWO

Hanover lost a pair of matches at home over the weekend.

On Friday, the Panthers fell 3-1 (27-25, 25-15, 23-25, 25-18) to John Carroll. Abbey McCoy had 11 kills for Hanover, Madison Schicker had 25 digs, Kinzee Dean had two blocks and Brooke Gervers had 34 assists.

On Saturday, Hanover lost 3-2 (23-25, 25-22, 20-25, 25-16, 15-11) to Manchester

in the Panthers' HCAC opener. McCoy had 11 kills, Schicker had 20 digs, Maddie Robertson had seven blocks and Ryleigh Plunkitt had 22 assists.

Hanover, now 11-8 overall and 0-1 HCAC, heads to Bluffton on Saturday and Ohio Wesleyan on Sunday.

WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO ROSE

Hanover women's soccer lost a 2-0 decision at home to Rose-Hulman on Saturday.

Hanover outshot the Engineers 10-9 but couldn't put a ball in the net.

Hanover, now 3-5-2 overall and 1-1 HCAC, hosts Mount St. Joseph on Wednesday.

PANTHERS RUN AT LOUISVILLE

Hanover cross country competed in the Louisville Classic on Saturday.

The Hanover men placed 11th in the "Silver" race while the women ran 38th in the "Blue" race.

Results for the Hanover men were: Conner Watson, 16th, 26:39.4; Colin Kistler, 47th, 27:38.1; Oxiel Castro Badillo, 57th, 27:55.0; Charlie Stuelpe, 136th, 29:43.6; and Corwyn Barrows, 155th,

30:23.2.

Results for the Hanover women were: Kaylee Kinser, 82nd, 23:30.7; Callie Swegman, 105th, 23:52.4; Elyse Wilson, 290th, 25:44.4; Adair Dooley, 302nd, 25:56.6; Paige Wildman,

310th, 26:02.2; Jennifer Guevara, 315th, 26:11.8; Lawson Phillips, 380th, 27:55.0; and Izzy Miklozek, 407th, 30:31.0.

Hanover's next race is on Oct. 17 at Wilmington.

COURIERAREA SPORTS SHORTS

— Madison knocked off Shawe 4-1 in junior high boys soccer on Thursday.

Ayden Dempler scored a goal and Johnny Cooke got an assist for Shawe. Patrick Kahn had nine saves in the goal.

Shawe wraps up the season with a 12-2-2 record.

— Shawe Junior High girls

volleyball posted a 25-21, 25-21 win over Rock Creek on Thursday.

The Hilltoppers were led in scoring by Payton Laskowski and Ali Bear-Curtis.

On Friday, Shawe lost 22-25, 25-9, 15-4 to Christian Academy of Madison.

Laskowski and Adley Ashcraft led the Hilltoppers

in scoring.

— Shawe defeated Rock Creek 4-1 in junior high girls soccer on Thursday.

Cora Peddie had three goals for the Hilltoppers and Kingsley Copeland scored one. Ari Alderman, Alivia Hay and Harper Goddard each had assists and Harper Denning had four saves in goal.

No. 2 Miami jumps Oregon in AP Top 25; Penn State and Texas fall out of poll

BY ERIC OLSON
AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL WRITER

Miami moved back to No. 2 in The Associated Press college football poll on Sunday, Texas Tech has its highest ranking since 2008 and Penn State and Texas fell all the way out of the Top 25 for the first time since 2022 after the two top-10 teams lost to unranked opponents.

No. 1 Ohio State was dominant in its win over Minnesota, but its 40 first-place votes were its fewest since ascending to the top five weeks ago. The Hurricanes, who moved ahead of idle Oregon, went from receiving four first-place votes last week to 21 this week after winning at Florida State.

Miami also had been No. 2 two weeks ago following an open date and gave up that spot last

week after Oregon's overtime win at Penn State.

Oregon, which received the other five first-place votes, was followed by idle No. 4 Mississippi and No. 5 Texas A&M. The Aggies hammered Mississippi State and earned their highest ranking since Jimbo Fisher's 2021 team was No. 5 in early September.

Oklahoma slipped from No. 5 to No. 6 despite its 44-0 shutout of Kent State. Indiana, which had an open date, is No. 7 and No. 8 Alabama got a two-spot promotion for its 16-point win over Vanderbilt.

No. 9 Texas Tech, which won 35-11 at previously unbeaten Houston, cracked the top 10 for the first time since it was No. 8 in the final regular-season poll in 2008. Georgia moved up two spots to No. 10 after its win over Kentucky.

Texas was the AP's preseason No. 1 team and Penn State was No. 2. Both are now out of the rankings.

Penn State took one of the biggest falls in the 89-year history of the poll for its loss at previously winless UCLA a week after the Bruins fired their coach. The Nittany Lions had slipped from No. 2 to No. 7 following their loss to Oregon. They went to UCLA as 24.5-point favorites, according to BetMGM Sportsbook, and lost 42-37. Penn State is unranked for the first time since September 2022.

The plunge out of the Top 25 matched 1959 Oklahoma for second-biggest drop out of the rankings, not counting pre-season polls or the 2020 pandemic season. The '59 Sooners went from No. 2 to out of the Top 20 after losing their opener to Northwestern.

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Bengals' Browning blames himself for loss to Lions

BY JEFF WALLNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — For the second time in three seasons, Jake Browning has stepped in for an injured Joe Burrow. But unlike in 2023, things aren't going well.

In Sunday's 37-24 loss to the Detroit Lions, the Bengals' third-year quarterback threw three more interceptions, giving him eight in four games. Browning, who also tossed three second-half touchdown passes, took responsibility for the loss.

“A lot of people in that locker room played winning football today,” Browning said. “I did not. You throw three picks in the NFL, you’re going to lose.”

Burrow had surgery on his injured left toe and is out indefinitely. The Bengals stuck with the backups on their roster instead of trying to acquire a veteran QB.

Browning's backup, Brett Rypien, has 11 career appearances and four starts, three for the Broncos and one for the Rams. For now, the Bengals are sticking with Browning.

At halftime on Sunday, Browning was 14 of 23 for 86 yards and two interceptions, and Bengals coach Zac Taylor heard the boos every time Browning jogged back out with the offense.

“I’m sure a lot of people wanted him on the bench at that point,” Taylor said. “I could hear it. There are

some plays he’s going to want to have back. I’m glad he hung in there. I believe he gives us our best chance to win.”

In 2023, Browning took over after Burrow's season-ending wrist injury and completed 70.4% of his passes, going 4-3 as the starter. He threw 12 touchdown passes and seven interceptions.

His eight interceptions this season are the second most in the league, behind Las Vegas' Geno Smith.

“Jake’s taken a lot of adversity for himself and for the team, period,” receiver Ja'Marr Chase said.

“I tell him to stay in it, keep his head up. At the end of the day we all have his back and we all need him to be our quarterback. The way he stayed in the game and kept fighting, that’s what we need.”

Browning finished 26 of 40 for 251 yards on Sunday. But two of his three picks came during another dismal first half for the Bengals, who have been outscored 69-9 before halftime in their last three games.

“I put that on myself,” Taylor said. “I call the plays. I've got to keep us out of danger. We've scored three points three weeks in a row

in the first half. That’s my responsibility to score more points.”

Browning said it comes down to him making better decisions with the ball and not trying to force throws.

“Everybody’s been very supportive, but at the end of the day this is a results business and I need to play better,” Browning said. “I threw three picks that were bad. There's no hiding from that. Bad decisions. Bad ball placement. That’s on me.”

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Taylor runs for 3 touchdowns and Jones throws for 2 as Colts rout Raiders 40-6

BY MICHAEL MAROT
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INDIANAPOLIS — Jonathan Taylor keeps proving he's one of the league's top running backs. A few more games like this, and perhaps Daniel Jones will considered one of the best quarterbacks.

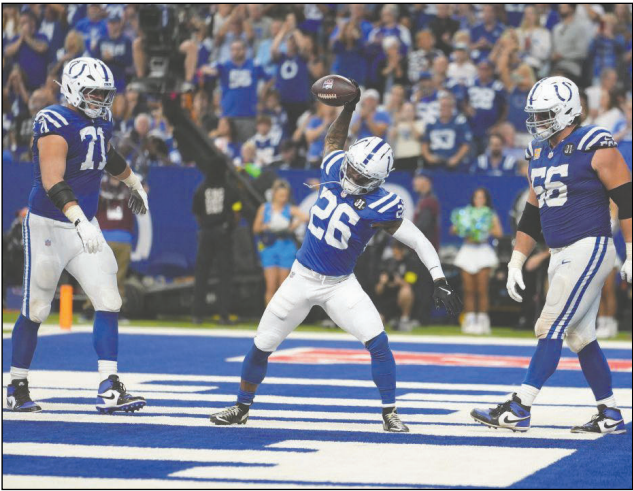
Taylor ran for three touchdowns and a 2-point conversion, Jones threw two TD passes while playing another turnover-free game, and the Indianapolis Colts remained perfect at home with a 40-6 rout of the Las Vegas Raiders on Sunday.

"I think the guys are playing at a high level right now, they're playing together," coach Shane Steichen said after Indy's most lopsided victory in 12 years. "(Taylor) is the best back in the league right now. Credit to him, credit to the O-line. It starts up front, but he's just seeing it while he's running hard."

The Colts (4-1) opened the season with major questions at quarterback, but Taylor's strong play has helped Jones get comfortable. Signed in the offseason to compete with Anthony Richardson for the starting job, Jones has won more games in five weeks than he did in his final 16 starts and two seasons with the New York Giants.

Jones finished 20 of 29 for 212 yards. Taylor rushed 17 times for 66 yards and caught three passes for 20 yards, although his streak of nine straight games with 95 yards or more from scrimmage ended.

The 34-point margin was Indy's largest since a 37-3 victory at Jacksonville in 2013. The Colts converted two interceptions, a blocked punt and a turnover on



Michael Conroy/AP photo

Indianapolis Colts running back Ameer Abdullah (26) celebrates a touchdown run during the second half of an NFL football game against the Las Vegas Raiders Sunday in Indianapolis.

downs into TDs.

"I think we executed well with the exception of that first drive," Jones said. "But we executed well, took advantage of some opportunities. I'm sure Shane talked about complementary football. The blocked punt, the interception in the third quarter put us at the 5-yard line, we converted those opportunities."

Indy's starters got the fourth quarter off. Richardson made his season debut and had one completion — to himself for 9 yards.

It was miserable day for Las Vegas (1-4), which lost its fourth straight. Rookie Ashton Jeanty had another productive day with 14 carries for 67 yards and five receptions for 42 yards. Geno Smith was 25 of 36 for 228 yards with the two picks.

"It was really disappointing for us to have such a hard time getting into this game," Raiders coach Pete Carroll said. "We need to change the course from the

way we're going."

Las Vegas settled for a 24-yard field goal after holding the ball for nearly 10 minutes on its first possession.

Jones responded with an 11-yard TD pass to Tyler Warren — the rookie's first career scoring reception — and the Colts never trailed again.

Segun Olubi blocked AJ Cole's punt to set up the Colts at the Raiders 8-yard line. Four plays later, Taylor scored on a 3-yard run and the Colts were off and running.

Smith gave away another scoring chance when his tipped pass was picked off by Laiatu Latu at the Colts 12-yard line. Jones closed the half with a 4-yard TD pass to Michael Pittman Jr. to make it 20-3.

"The ball got tipped up in the air but there was a guy wide open in the end zone," Smith said. "I feel like I'm doing the right things, making the right reads. But this is the NFL. It's a big boy league."

The Colts extended the

margin to 40-3 in the third quarter thanks to Taylor's TD runs of 1 and 6 yards and Ameer Abdullah's 2-yard TD run.

Las Vegas failed to record a sack for the first time in 40 games, ending the league's longest active streak.

KICKING ADJUSTMENTS

Cole suffered a right ankle injury on the blocked punt and went to the locker room on a cart, forcing kicker Daniel Carlson to handle punting duties. Carlson's only punt went 30 yards. He also missed a 57-yard field goal on the final play of the first half.

Indy lost kicker Spencer Shrader late in the second

quarter when Tristin McCollum ran into Shrader's right knee. The Colts went for 2 on each of their remaining TD drives in part because they would have needed a replacement for holder Rigoberto Sanchez, the backup kicker.

INJURY REPORT

Raiders: TEs Brock Bowers (knee) and Michael Mayer (concussion protocol) and CB Eric Stokes (knee) were inactive.

Colts: Indy lost CB Mike Hilton (shoulder) in the first quarter and DT Grover Stewart (biceps) in the second half.

LEONARD'S FAREWELL

Three-time All-Pro

linebacker Shaquille Leonard announced his retirement at halftime. He was the 2018 NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year, but a recurring back injury shortened his career. He last played for the Philadelphia Eagles in 2023 and is now an assistant coach at a South Carolina high school.

"I feel like I've found my purpose again," Leonard said, referring to his new profession. "They've helped me find my love of football again."

UP NEXT

Raiders: Host Tennessee next Sunday.

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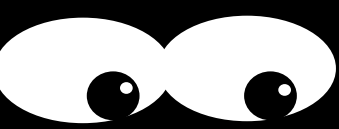
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